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FUNDING PATTERN OF INDUS PROJECT
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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the scheme of INDUS Project has been launched for preventing and eliminating child labour in certain identified industries in some States;

(b) if so, the details of the funding pattern of the scheme;

(c) the details of the assistance received under this scheme from United States (US) during each of the last three years; and

(d) the extent to which this scheme is effective to prevent and eliminate child labour in the identified States?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES)

(a) : Yes, Sir.

(b) : INDUS Projects has a total budget of US $ 40 million with an equal contribution of Government of India and US Department of Labour (USDOL). Out of US $ 20 million contribution of Government of India, US $ 13 million would be contributed by Ministry of Labour & Employment and US $ 7 million by the Department of School Education & Literacy, Ministry of Human Resource Development.

(c) : The expenditure on the project from USDOL funds incurred during the last three years is as follows:

Sl. No.	Year	Expenditure incurred in US $
1.	2004	1,468,787
2.	2005	4,491,606
3.	2006	4,506,840

(d) : Under the scheme, so far, 92,572 children have been withdrawn from work and rehabilitated through transitional education, public education and vocational training.